



Idaho Master Naturalists – Pend Oreille Chapter

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General Meeting Minutes, May 14, 2013

Present Pete, Valle, Phil, Gail, Selma, Dennis, Clem, Lori

9:05 called to order

Minutes from April were approved/accepted - motion by Valle, 2nd by Gail

Treasurer report Dennis - Bal \$1666, after all outstanding expenses are paid balance will be approx \$1000. 2013 class came out about even between fees collected and expenses incurred. Mailbox rent is due and will be paid.

Committees

WDC: Selma reporting - 7 members are interested in helping during summer for MN on Duty, some on specific days/times, others on call as needed. Topics: MN on duty sign to hang near parking entrance; Scheduling calendar inside WDC; bull trout movie available to play on DVD; bluebird nest boxes available for purchase with honor box; bathroom/porta potty for WDC (cost is approx \$70/mo). Signage for grounds/docks are not needed (per Pete) we do not wish to restrict visitors activities at this time. An Open House will be discussed in more detail at the next meeting.

First Field Trip for 3rd graders was last Friday, 4 groups from South Side and Hope, all went well.

Training: (Karen Absent) - 2013 Classes going well, next week has classes on Forestry and Wetlands and include field trips to Pack River Delta and final trip on Sunday to Trout Creek WMA.

Communications: Valle reporting - open invitation to all members to submit any story, picture, or observation, send to vallejoy@dishmail.net for editing and submission to our quarterly newsletter. Our goal is to submit something to each issue, Valle and Lori will get items to Boise for inclusion.

Comment from Pete - a Videographer will be visiting WDC on Thursday 10:00am - Clem will meet and speak with him.

Volunteer: Dave reporting – Treasured Landscapes will train volunteers on weed identification. Water Stewards will present water monitoring training program on 22 June in Sandpoint.

Issues:

Summer Board Meeting Time will continue on the 2nd Tuesday, June 11, July 9, and August 13, at 9:00am at the WDC

Membership Categories were discussed and a motion (Gail / Valle 2nd) to accept 3 levels of membership defined

as Certified Member, Chapter Member, and Professional Chapter Member (MN teachers, tour leaders, etc.,) was passed unanimously.

Graduation/Potluck for 2012 Class will be held Saturday 1 June 4:00-7:00pm at the WDC. Chapter will provide burgers and chicken and the BBQ, all will bring dish to share, beverage, chairs. A RSVP note will be sent to all members for planning purposes.

Partnership with AHWf for local wildlife seminars – discussion tabled

IFWF Grant Due June 1st, not enough information to partner with Trout Unlimited on kiosk. May need to pass this year due to shortage of time.

WDC work days in June each Friday morning 9:00am at WDC. Still checking on WI-FI cable to be buried.

Back Burner Issues:

Check IDF&G Website for Calendar Updates

respectfully submitted

Lori Getts, Secretary

Addendum:

Graduation on June 1st was a big success, with over 40 members and their friends and family members present. New 2013 class members were given name badges and hats, 2012 graduates received certificates and pins.